



The g-Drazin Inverse Involving Power Commutativity

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Abstract. Let \mathcal{A} be a complex Banach algebra. An element $a \in \mathcal{A}$ has g-Drazin inverse if there exists $b \in \mathcal{A}$ such that

$$b = bab, ab = ba, a - a^2b \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}.$$

Let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. If $a^3b = ba$, $b^3a = ab$, and $a^2a^db = aa^dba$, we prove that $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^d$ if and only if $1 + a^db \in \mathcal{A}^d$. We present explicit formula for $(a + b)^d$ under certain perturbations. These extend the main results of Wang, Zhou and Chen (Filomat, 30(2016), 1185–1193) and Liu, Xu and Yu (Applied Math. Comput., 216(2010), 3652–3661).

1. Introduction

Throughout the paper, \mathcal{A} denotes a complex Banach algebra with identity. An element a in \mathcal{A} has a g-Drazin inverse provided that there exists some $b \in \mathcal{A}$ such that

$$ab = ba, b = bab, a - a^2b \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}.$$

Here, \mathcal{A}^{qnil} is the set of all quasinilpotents in \mathcal{A} , i.e.,

$$\mathcal{A}^{qnil} = \{a \in \mathcal{A} \mid \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|a^n\|^{\frac{1}{n}} = 0\}.$$

As is well known, we have

$$a \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil} \Leftrightarrow 1 + \lambda a \in \mathcal{A}^{-1} \text{ for any } \lambda \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Here, \mathcal{A}^{-1} stands for the set of invertible elements in \mathcal{A} . The preceding b is unique, if exists, and is called the g-Drazin inverse of a . We denote it by a^d . We use \mathcal{A}^d to stand for the set of all g-Drazin invertible elements in \mathcal{A} . In [10, Theorem 4.2], it was proved that $a \in \mathcal{A}^d$ if and only if there exists an idempotent $p \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $ap = pa$, $a + p \in \mathcal{A}^{-1}$ and $ap \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$.

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The g-Drazin invertibility of the sum of two elements in a Banach algebra is very attractive. It plays an important role in matrix and operator theory, e.g., [3–6, 12, 15]. The Drazin inverse a^D of $a \in \mathcal{A}$ is defined as the g-Drazin inverse by replacing \mathcal{A}^{nil} by the set of all nilpotents in \mathcal{A} . In [13], Liu et al. investigated Drazin inverse $(A + B)^D$ of two complex matrices A and B which satisfying $A^3B = BA$ and $B^3A = AB$. Wang et al. gave representations of $(a + b)^D$ as a function of a, b, a^D and b^D whenever $a^3b = ba$ and $b^3a = ab$ in a ring R in which 2 has Drazin inverse (see [16, Theorem 3.7]). The motivation of this paper is to explore such conditions involving power commutativity under which the sum of two g-Drazin invertible elements in a Banach algebra has g-Drazin inverse.

Let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. If $ab = ba$, then $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^d$ if and only if $1 + a^d b \in \mathcal{A}^d$ (see [6, Theorem 1]). Zou et al. extended this result to weaker conditions $a^2b = aba$ and $b^2a = bab$ (see [18, Theorem 3.3]). In Section 2, we investigate the relations of $a + b, aa^d(a + b), (a + b)bb^d$ and $aa^d(a + b)bb^d$ for $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. Let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. If $a^3b = ba, b^3a = ab$, and $a^d ab = a^d ba$, we prove that $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^d$ if and only if $1 + a^d b \in \mathcal{A}^d$.

Let $x \in \mathcal{A}^d$. The element $x^\pi = 1 - xx^d$ is called the spectral idempotent of x . Let $A, B \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$. Hartwig et al. gave the formula of $(A + B)^D$ under condition $AB = 0$ (see [9, Theorem 2.1]). In [1, Theorem 2.5], Castro-González gave a formula for the Drazin inverse of a sum of two complex matrices less restrictive conditions:

$$A^D B = 0, AB^D = 0 \text{ and } B^\pi A B A^\pi = 0.$$

Guo et al. extended the preceding results and considered representations for the Drazin inverse of the sum of two complex matrices of

$$A^D B = 0, AB^D = 0, B^\pi A B A A^\pi = 0, B^\pi A B^2 A^\pi = 0$$

(see [7, Theorem 2]). In [8, Theorem 2], Guo et al. deduced the expressions for the g-Drazin inverse $(a + b)^d$ under the conditions

$$a^d b = 0, ab^d = 0, b^\pi a b a a^\pi = 0 \text{ and } b^\pi a b^2 a^\pi = 0.$$

In Section 3, we obtain the explicit formula for the g-Drazin inverse of $a + b$ under the perturbation conditions involving power commutativity. We shall derive explicit representation for $(a + b)^d$ under a new condition:

$$ab^d = 0, a^d b = 0, b^\pi a^3 b a^\pi = b^\pi b a a^\pi, b^\pi b^3 a a^\pi = b^\pi a b a^\pi.$$

Let $p \in \mathcal{A}$ be an idempotent, and let $x \in \mathcal{A}$. Then we write

$$x = p x p + p x (1 - p) + (1 - p) x p + (1 - p) x (1 - p),$$

and induce a Pierce representation given by the matrix

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} p x p & p x (1 - p) \\ (1 - p) x p & (1 - p) x (1 - p) \end{pmatrix}_p.$$

2. Additive results

The main purpose of this section is to prove the equivalence of the g-Drazin invertibility for $a + b$ and $1 + a^d b$ under certain power communicative condition. We begin with

Lemma 2.1. *Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra, and let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d$ and $a^3 b = ba, b^3 a = ab$. Then*

- (1) $aa^d b = baa^d$.
- (2) $bb^d a = abb^d$.

Proof. (1) Since $a \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$, we have $\| (a - a^2 a^d)^n \|^{1/n} \rightarrow 0$ ($n \rightarrow \infty$). Let $p = aa^d$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} pb - pbp &= (a^d)^{3n} a^{3n} b(1 - aa^d) \\ &= (a^d)^{3n} a^{3(n-1)} ba(1 - aa^d) \\ &\vdots \\ &= (a^d)^{3n} ba^n(1 - aa^d) \\ &= (a^d)^{3n} b(a - a^2 a^d)^n. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that

$$\| pb - pbp \|^{1/n} \leq \| a^d \|^3 \| b \|^{1/n} \| (a - a^2 a^d)^n \|^{1/n},$$

and then

$$\| pb - pbp \|^{1/n} \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

This implies that $pb = pbp$. Similarly, we have $bp = pbp$. Accordingly, $aa^d b = pb = bp = baa^d$.

(2) This is proved as in (1). \square

Lemma 2.2. *Let*

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ c & b \end{pmatrix}_p \text{ or } \begin{pmatrix} b & c \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix}_p$$

Then

$$x^d = \begin{pmatrix} a^d & 0 \\ z & b^d \end{pmatrix}_p, \text{ or } \begin{pmatrix} b^d & z \\ 0 & a^d \end{pmatrix}_p,$$

where

$$z = (b^d)^2 \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^d)^i c a^i \right) a^\pi + b^\pi \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} b^i c (a^d)^i \right) (a^d)^2 - b^d c a^d.$$

Proof. See [14, Lemma 1.2]. \square

Lemma 2.3. *Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra, and let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$. Suppose $a^3 b = ba, b^3 a = ab$. Then $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$.*

Proof. By induction, we have

$$ab = b^3 a = a^{26} (ab) b^2 = \dots = a^{26n} (ab) b^{2n},$$

and so

$$\| ab \|^{1/n} \leq \| a^{26n} \|^{1/n} \| ab \|^{1/n} \| b^{2n} \|^{1/n}.$$

Hence, $ab = 0$. In view of [18, Lemma 2.10], $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$. \square

Lemma 2.4. *Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra, and let $a \in \mathcal{A}^d, b \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$. If $a^3 b = ba, b^3 a = ab$, then $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^d$ if and only if $aa^d(a + b)bb^d \in \mathcal{A}^d$.*

Proof. Let $p = aa^d$. Then we have

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 \end{pmatrix}_p, b = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_2 \end{pmatrix}_p.$$

In view of Lemma 2.1, $aa^d b = baa^d$, and so $b_{12} = aa^d b(1 - aa^d) = baa^d(1 - aa^d) = 0$. Likewise, we have $b_{21} = 0$. Thus

$$a + b = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 + b_1 & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 + b_2 \end{pmatrix}_p.$$

Clearly, $a_2 = (1 - aa^d)a \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$. Since $b_2 = (1 - aa^d)b(1 - aa^d) = (1 - aa^d)b$, we have $b_2 \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$ by Lemma 2.1 and [18, Lemma 2.11]. One easily checks that $a_2 b_2 = b_2^3 a_2$ and $b_2 a_2 = a_2^3 b_2$, it follows by Lemma 2.3 that $a_2 + b_2 \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$.

Therefore $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^d$ if and only if $aa^d(a + b)bb^d = a_1 + b_1 \in \mathcal{A}^d$. \square

We are now ready to prove the following.

Theorem 2.5. *Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra, and let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. If $a^3b = ba, b^3a = ab$, then the following are equivalent:*

- (1) $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^d$.
- (2) $aa^d(a + b) \in \mathcal{A}^d$.
- (3) $(a + b)bb^d \in \mathcal{A}^d$.
- (4) $aa^d(a + b)bb^d \in \mathcal{A}^d$.

Proof. (1) \Leftrightarrow (4) Let $p = aa^d$. Then we have

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 \end{pmatrix}_p, b = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_2 \end{pmatrix}_p.$$

As in the proof of Lemma 2.4, we show that $b_{12} = 0$ and $b_{21} = 0$. Thus

$$a + b = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 + b_1 & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 + b_2 \end{pmatrix}_p.$$

We claim that $a_2 + b_2 \in \mathcal{A}^d$. We have $a_2 = a - a^2a^d \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$. We will suffice to prove $b_2 = (1 - aa^d)b(1 - aa^d) \in \mathcal{A}^d$. In light of Lemma 2.1, $(aa^d)b = b(aa^d)$, and so $(1 - aa^d)b = b(1 - aa^d)$. Clearly, $1 - aa^d \in \mathcal{A}^d$. Therefore $b_2 = (1 - aa^d)b \in \mathcal{A}^d$ by [18, Theorem 3.1]. Accordingly, $a_2 + b_2 \in \mathcal{A}^d$ by using Lemma 2.4.

Thus, $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^d$ if and only if $a_1 + b_1 \in \mathcal{A}^d$. In view of [18, Theorem 3.1], $(aa^d)b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. By Cline’s formula (see [11, Theorem 2.1]), we have $b_1 = aa^d b a a^d \in \mathcal{A}^d$. By using [18, Theorem 3.1] again, $a_1 = aa^d a \in \mathcal{A}^d$. Therefore $a_1 + b_1 = aa^d(a + b)aa^d$, as desired.

(2) \Leftrightarrow (3) \Leftrightarrow (4) These are obvious by Cline’s formula (see [11, Theorem 2.1]). \square

As an immediate consequence, we now derive

Corollary 2.6. *Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra, and let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. If $a^3b = ba, b^3a = ab$, then the following are equivalent:*

- (1) $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^d$.
- (2) $a(1 + a^d b) \in \mathcal{A}^d$.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) In view of [18, Theorem 3.1], $aa^d(a + b) = aa^d a(1 + a^d b) \in \mathcal{A}^d$. It is easy to check that $(1 - aa^d)a(1 + a^d b) = a - a^2a^d \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$. In view of Lemma 2.1,

$$aa^d a(1 + a^d b)(1 - aa^d)a(1 + a^d b) = 0,$$

and so

$$a(1 + a^d b) = aa^d a(1 + a^d b) + (1 - aa^d)a(1 + a^d b) \in \mathcal{A}^d$$

by [6, Theorem 2.3].

(2) \Rightarrow (1) Clearly, $aa^d(a + b) = a^2a^d + aa^d b = a^2a^d(1 + a^d b) = aa^d a(1 + a^d b)$. By virtue of Lemma 2.1, $aa^d a(1 + a^d b) = a(1 + a^d b)aa^d$. Thus, it follows by [18, Theorem 3.1] that $aa^d a(1 + a^d b) \in \mathcal{A}^d$. Hence, $aa^d(a + b) \in \mathcal{A}^d$. Therefore we complete the proof by Theorem 2.5. \square

We have accumulated all the information necessary to prove the following.

Theorem 2.7. *Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra, and let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. If $a^3b = ba, b^3a = ab$, and $a^d a b = a^d b a$, then the following are equivalent:*

- (1) $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^d$.
- (2) $1 + a^d b \in \mathcal{A}^d$.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) In view of Lemma 2.1, we see that $aa^d(a+b) = a^2a^d + aa^db \in \mathcal{A}^d$. Since $a^dab = a^dba$, we have

$$(a^2a^d)(aa^db) = (aa^db)(a^2a^d).$$

By virtue of [18, Theorem 3.3], $1 + (a^2a^d)^d(aa^db) = 1 + a^db \in \mathcal{A}^d$, as desired.

(2) \Rightarrow (1) In view of [18, Theorem 3.1], $a^2a^d = a(aa^d) \in \mathcal{A}^d$. By hypothesis and Lemma 2.1, we easily check that

$$a^2a^d(1 + a^db) = a^2a^d + a^dba = a^2a^d + a(a^d)^2ba = (1 + a^db)a^2a^d.$$

Thus, $aa^d(a+b) = a^2a^d(1 + a^db) \in \mathcal{A}^d$ by [18, Theorem 3.1]. Therefore we complete the proof by Theorem 2.5. \square

Corollary 2.8. *Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra, and let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. If $a^3b = ba, b^3a = ab$, and $a^dab = a^dba$ then the following are equivalent:*

- (1) $a - b \in \mathcal{A}^d$.
- (2) $1 - a^db \in \mathcal{A}^d$.

Proof. In view of [2, Theorem 2.2], $-b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. Applying Theorem 2.7 to a and $-b$, we complete the proof. \square

3. Perturbations

The aim of this section is to provide conditions on a and b in \mathcal{A}^d with multiplicative perturbations so that the sum $a + b$ will have g-Drazin inverse. For further use, we now derive the following.

Lemma 3.1. *Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra, and let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. If $ab^d = 0, a^db = 0, a^3b = ba, b^3a = ab$, then $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^d$ and $(a + b)^d = a^d + b^d$.*

Proof. In view of Lemma 2.1, we easily check that $ba^d = ba(a^d)^2 = aa^dba^d = 0$ and $b^da = (b^d)^2ba = (b^d)ab^db = 0$. Thus,

$$(a + b)(a^d + b^d) = aa^d + ba^d + bb^d = a^da + b^da + b^db = (a^d + b^d)(a + b).$$

Also we have

$$(a^d + b^d)(a + b)(a^d + b^d) = a^d + b^d.$$

Moreover, we have $(a + b) - (a + b)^2(a^d + b^d) = x + y$, where $x = a - a^2a^d, y = b - b^2b^d \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$. We easily check that $x^3y = yx$ and $y^3x = xy$. According to Lemma 2.3, $x + y \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$. Therefore $(a + b)^d = a^d + b^d$, as asserted. \square

Theorem 3.2. *Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra, and let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. If $ab^d = 0, a^db = 0, a^3ba^\pi = baa^\pi, b^3aa^\pi = aba^\pi$, then $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^d$ and*

$$(a + b)^d = b^\pi a^d + b^d a^\pi + b^\pi a^\pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (a + b)^i b (a^d)^{i+2}.$$

Proof. Let $p = aa^d$. Then we have

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 \end{pmatrix}_p, b = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{pmatrix}_p.$$

Since $a^db = 0$, we see that $b_{11} = b_{12} = 0$. Hence we have

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 \end{pmatrix}_p, b = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{pmatrix}_p.$$

Moreover, $a_2 = (1 - p)a(1 - p) = a - a^2a^d \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$. Since $b \in \mathcal{A}^d$ and $a^db = 0$, we have $a^\pi b = b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. In light of Cline’s formula, $b_2 = a^\pi b a^\pi \in \mathcal{A}^d$, and so $b_2 \in ((1 - p)\mathcal{A}(1 - p))^d$. One easily checks that

$$a_2 b_2^d = 0, a_2^d b_2 = 0, a_2^3 b_2 = b_2 a_2, b_2^3 a_2 = a_2 b_2.$$

In view of Lemma 3.1, $(a_2 + b_2)^d = a_2^d + b_2^d = b^d a^\pi$. In light of Lemma 2.2, we have

$$(a + b)^d = \begin{pmatrix} a_1^d & 0 \\ z & (a_2 + b_2)^d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a^d & 0 \\ z & b^d a^\pi \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$z = b^\pi a^\pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (a_2 + b_2)^i b_1 (a^d)^{i+2} - b^d b_1 a^d.$$

Moreover, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ (a_2 + b_2)^i b_1 (a^d)^{i+2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ = & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ (a_2 + b_2)^i b_1 & (a_2 + b_2)^i b_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} (a^d)^{i+2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ = & (a + b)^i b (a^d)^{i+2}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ b^d b_1 a^d & 0 \end{pmatrix} = b b^d a^d.$$

Therefore

$$(a + b)^d = b^\pi a^d + b^d a^\pi + b^\pi a^\pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (a + b)^i b (a^d)^{i+2},$$

as asserted. \square

Corollary 3.3. Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra, and let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. If $ab^d = 0, a^d b = 0, b^\pi a^3 b a^\pi = b^\pi b a a^\pi, b^\pi b^3 a a^\pi = b^\pi a b a^\pi$, then $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^d$ and

$$\begin{aligned} (a + b)^d &= b^d a^\pi + b^\pi a^d + b^\pi a^\pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (a + b)^i b (a^d)^{i+2} \\ &+ \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} [(b^d)^{i+2} a (a + b)^i - (b^d)^{i+2} a (a + b)^{i+1} a^d \\ &- \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (b^d)^{i+2} a (a + b)^{i+j+1} b (a^d)^{j+2}] \\ &- \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} b^d a (a + b)^i b (a^d)^{i+2}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let $p = b b^d$. Then we have

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_1 \\ a_{21} & a_2 \end{pmatrix}_p, b = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 & 0 \\ 0 & b_2 \end{pmatrix}_p.$$

Clearly, $a_{11} = a_{21} = 0$, and so

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a_1 \\ 0 & a_2 \end{pmatrix}_p, b = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 & 0 \\ 0 & b_2 \end{pmatrix}_p.$$

Moreover, $b_2 = (1 - p)b(1 - p) = b - b^2 b^d \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$. Since $a \in \mathcal{A}^d$ and $ab^d = 0$, we see that $ab^\pi = a \in \mathcal{A}^d$. By using Cline’s formula, $a_2 = b^\pi a b^\pi \in \mathcal{A}^d$, and so $a_2 \in ((1 - p)\mathcal{A}(1 - p))^d$. It is easy to verify that

$$a_2^d b_2 = 0, a_2 b_2^d = 0, a_2^3 b_2 a_2^\pi = b_2 a_2 a_2^\pi, b_2^3 a_2 a_2^\pi = a_2 b_2 a_2^\pi.$$

Since $b_2^d = 0$, it follows by Theorem 3.2 that

$$(a_2 + b_2)^d = a_2^d + a_2^\pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (a_2 + b_2)^i b_2 (a_2^d)^{i+2}.$$

Therefore

$$(a + b)^d = \begin{pmatrix} b^d & z \\ 0 & (a_2 + b_2)^d \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$z = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^d)^{i+2} a_1 (a_2 + b_2)^i (a_2 + b_2)^\pi - b^d a_1 (a_2 + b_2)^d.$$

Therefore we have

$$\begin{aligned} z &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^d)^{i+2} a_1 (a_2 + b_2)^i \\ &\quad \left(1 - (a_2 + b_2)(a_2^d + a_2^\pi \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (a_2 + b_2)^j b_2 (a_2^d)^{j+2}) \right) \\ &\quad - b^d a_1 (a_2 + b_2)^d. \end{aligned}$$

We see that

$$\begin{aligned} &\begin{pmatrix} 0 & (b^d)^{i+2} a_1 (a_2 + b_2)^i \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}_p = (b^d)^{i+2} a (a + b)^i; \\ &\begin{pmatrix} 0 & (b^d)^{i+2} a_1 (a_2 + b_2)^{i+1} a_2^d \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}_p \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & (b^d)^{i+2} a_1 (a_2 + b_2)^{i+1} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}_p \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b b^d a^d \\ 0 & a_2^d \end{pmatrix}_p \\ &= (b^d)^{i+2} a (a + b)^{i+1} a^d; \\ &\begin{pmatrix} 0 & (b^d)^{i+2} a_1 (a_2 + b_2)^{i+1} a_2^\pi (a_2 + b_2)^j b_2 (a_2^d)^{j+2} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}_p \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & (b^d)^{i+2} a_1 (a_2 + b_2)^{i+1} a_2^\pi (a_2 + b_2)^j b_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}_p \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b b^d (a^d)^{j+2} \\ 0 & (a_2^d)^{j+2} \end{pmatrix}_p \\ &= (b^d)^{i+2} a (a + b)^{i+1} a^\pi (a + b)^j b (a^d)^{j+2} \\ &= (b^d)^{i+2} a (a + b)^{i+j+1} b (a^d)^{j+2}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $b^d a_1 (a_2 + b_2)^d = b^d a_1 a_2^d + b^d a_1 a_2^\pi \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (a_2 + b_2)^j b_2 (a_2^d)^{j+2}$, we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & b^d a_1 (a_2 + b_2)^d \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}_p = b^d a a^d + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} b^d a (a + b)^i b (a^d)^{i+2}.$$

Therefore we complete the proof. \square

Theorem 3.4. Let $M = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathcal{A})$, a and d have g -Drazin inverses. If $ab = 0, cb = 0, bd^2 = 0$ and $d^3 c a^\pi = 0$, then $M \in M_2(\mathcal{A})^d$ and

$$M^d = Q^\pi P^d + Q^d P^\pi + Q^\pi P^\pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} M^i Q (P^d)^{i+2}.$$

where

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ c & 0 \end{pmatrix}, Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix};$$

$$P^d = \begin{pmatrix} a^d & 0 \\ c(a^d)^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, Q^d = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & d^d \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof. Let $M = P + Q$, where $P = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ c & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, and $Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}$. Then P, Q have g-Drazin inverses. Moreover, we have

$$P^d = \begin{pmatrix} a^d & 0 \\ c(a^d)^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, Q^d = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b(d^d)^2 \\ 0 & d^d \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since $a^d b = 0$ and $b d^d = 0$, we see that $P^d Q = 0$ and $P Q^d = 0$. Moreover, we have

$$P^\pi = \begin{pmatrix} a^\pi & 0 \\ -ca^d & 1 \end{pmatrix}, Q^\pi = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & d^\pi \end{pmatrix}.$$

By hypothesis, we directly check

$$P^3 Q P^\pi = Q P P^\pi, Q^3 P P^\pi = P Q P^\pi.$$

In light of Theorem 3.2, we complete the proof. \square

Corollary 3.5. Let $M = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathcal{A})$, a and d have g-Drazin inverses. If $bc = 0, dc = 0, ca^2 = 0$ and $a^3 b d^\pi = 0$, then $M \in M_2(\mathcal{A})^d$ and

$$M^d = P^\pi Q^d + P^d Q^\pi + P^\pi Q^\pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} M^i P(Q^d)^{i+2},$$

where

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ c & 0 \end{pmatrix}, Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix};$$

$$P^d = \begin{pmatrix} a^d & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, Q^d = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b(d^d)^2 \\ 0 & d^d \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof. It is easy to verify that

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d & c \\ b & a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Applying Theorem 3.4 to the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} d & c \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}$, we complete the proof. \square

We note that the Drazin and g-Drazin inverse are the same for a complex matrix, and so we have

Example 3.6. Let $M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \in M_4(\mathbb{C})$, where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then

$$AB = 0, CB = 0, BD^2 = 0 \text{ and } D^3 C A^\pi = 0$$

and

$$M^D = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ -C & D \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof. Clearly, $A^D = A, D^D = D, A^\pi = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, D^\pi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. We easily check that

$$AB = 0, CB = 0, BD^2 = 0 \text{ and } D^3CA^\pi = 0.$$

Then M has g-Drazin inverse by Theorem 3.4. In this case,

$$M^D = Q^\pi P^D + Q^D P^\pi + Q^\pi P^\pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} M^i Q(P^D)^{i+2},$$

where

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ C & 0 \end{pmatrix}, Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix};$$

$$P^d = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ C & 0 \end{pmatrix}, Q^D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix}.$$

By computing, we deduce that

$$M^i Q(P^D)^{i+2} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ C & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

and so $Q^\pi P^\pi M^i Q(P^D)^{i+2} = 0$ for all $i \geq 0$. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} M^D &= Q^\pi P^D + Q^D P^\pi \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} I_2 & 0 \\ 0 & I_2 - D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ C & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I_2 - A & 0 \\ -C & I_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ -C & D \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

as desired. \square

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